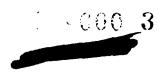


## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 5



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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF.

May 26, 1995

VIA FAX THEN U.S. MAIL

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RE: Standard Scrap Metal/Chicago International Exporting Site, Chicago, Illinois U.S. v. Steven Cohen, et al.

Case No. 94 C 6801

Dear Mr. Nassif and Ms. Tape:

Enclosed are additional sampling documents which you requested by letter dated May 16, 1995. As you will notice, these samples were taken from areas where EPA previously conducted its removal action and performed confirmation sampling and determined that it had been cleaned-up to the levels set forth in the September 1994 Unilateral Administrative Order ("UAO #1), and which the overs/operators of the above referenced site have since recontaminated as a result of their ongoing metal shredding and separating processes.

As we have indicated to you before, such recontamination constitutes a release of hazardous substances which is a violation of the February 1995 Unilateral Administrative Order ("UAO #2"). EPA may seek to enforce UAO #2 for injunctive relief and/or penalties under Section 106 of CERCLA, unless the site owners/operators cease the metal shredding and separating processes until they can show that no such releases occur while those processes are in operation.

We have scheduled a conference call with you for May 31, 1995 at 1:00 to discuss this and other related matters.

Please do not hesitate to call me at (312) 886-6831, if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Kurt N. Lindland

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Enclosures

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